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HOUSE BILL No. 8.]

[SES. 1863.

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Introduced by Mr. BROWN, of Mecklenburg.

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W. W. Holden, Printer to the State.

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A BILL TO RESTRICT THE PLANTING OF COTTON  
AND TOBACCO FOR THE YEAR 1864.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the*  
2 *State of North-Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the*  
3 *authority of the same,* That it shall not be lawful for any  
4 person to plant in this State more than one acre of land  
5 in cotton, and the half of one acre in tobacco, to each  
6 hand employed as laborers in its cultivation. And that in  
7 estimating hands, every operative on a farm or plantation,  
8 actually employed in its cultivation, between the ages of  
9 twelve and sixty-five years, shall be reckoned a hand.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That any person who shall  
2 violate the provisions of this act shall be liable to indict-  
3 ment by the Grand Jury in the County or Superior Court  
4 of the county in which the offence is committed, and,  
5 upon conviction, shall be fined at the discretion of the  
6 court, in a sum not less than five hundred dollars or ex-  
7 ceeding one thousand dollars, for every acre of land thus  
8 planted exceeding the quantity per hand herein specified.

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That this act shall be in  
2 force for and during the year one thousand eight hundred  
3 and sixty four, and no longer.

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I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the above named matter. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
 Yours, very truly,  
 J. M. Smith

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